

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION  
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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

POSTAL RATE AND FEE CHANGES, 1997

Docket No. R97-1

**MOTION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE  
OF INTERROGATORY RESPONSES**

The United States Postal Service hereby files this motion for late acceptance of the responses of witness Fror... following interrogatories of Douglas Carlson, dated July 15, 1997: DFC/USPS-T32-1, T32-2, T32-4 through T32-7; and the response of witness Hatfield to DFC/USPS-T32-3. All of these response were filed today.

Confusion on the part of undersigned counsel led the witnesses to believe that the responses were due today when, in fact, the responses were due two days ago. Accordingly, the responses were not prepared for filing on time.

The Postal Service believes that no party has been prejudiced by this oversight and will Express Mail copies of the late responses to Mr. Carlson to minimize any inconvenience.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

By its attorneys:

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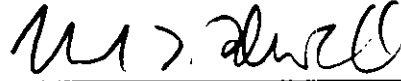


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## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure.

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